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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

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22 May 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to This Headquarters  
Commanders, Fort Knox Partners in Excellence  
Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices/Departments, This Headquarters

SUBJECT: Fort Knox Policy Memo No. 16-08 – Motorcycle Riding Rules

1. References.

- a. AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, paragraph 11-9, 23 August 2007.
- b. Fort Knox Reg 385-10, The Fort Knox Safety Program, paragraph 4, 23 April 2004.
- c. Fort Knox Reg 190-5, Fort Knox Motor Vehicle Traffic Regulation, Appendix B, 3 August 2007.

2. This policy memorandum provides requirements for military and Department of Defense (DOD) civilian personnel riding motorcycles on post. In addition, the requirements of this memorandum are applicable to military personnel operating motorcycles off post.

3. Motorcycle operators will have a valid motorcycle driver's license, proof of insurance, and an Army Motorcycle Safety Course card in their possession. The safety course card verifies the operator attended a Motorcycle Safety Foundation-approved course (Enclosure 1), which is provided at no cost to military and DOD civilian personnel. Visitors and Family members riding motorcycles on Fort Knox are not required to have an Army Motorcycle Safety Course card.

4. Both Army and TRADOC policy require that military and DOD civilian personnel operating a motorcycle on military installations must attend a Motorcycle Safety Course. **This means motorcycle operators, both military and DOD civilian personnel, will not be able to register or ride their motorcycle on post until they complete the safety course. Military personnel are restricted from riding their motorcycles off post as well; bottom line, park your motorcycle until you have completed a Motorcycle Safety Course.** The only exception is riding a motorcycle to the scheduled training course. The operator will have documentation signed by the Garrison Commander in their possession to show the date of the course. Military police and gate guards will closely monitor installation entry points for compliance. Commanders are responsible for enforcement and ensuring their personnel attend required training.

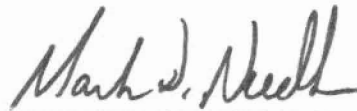
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5. Operators and riders are required to wear a Department of Transportation-approved helmet properly fastened under the chin, shatter resistant goggles, wrap-around glasses, or a full-face shield properly attached to the helmet (a windshield alone is not proper eye protection), full-fingered gloves or mittens designed for use on a motorcycle, long trousers and long-sleeve shirt or jacket, and over-the-ankle shoes or leather boots. During daylight hours, riders will either wear a brightly-colored outer upper garment, vest, or PT belt. During hours of darkness, riders will wear an outer garment with reflective material (patches, stripes) sewn into it or a reflective vest or PT belt. If a PT belt is used, it will be worn diagonally over the shoulder. Additionally, reflective material is required on the outside of backpacks. All personal protective clothing and equipment (PPC&E) outlined in this paragraph will be worn by all personnel entering this installation. Any person entering this installation without the proper PPC&E will be denied access or cited with a DD Form 1408 (Traffic Ticket, Armed Forces) for failure to obey orders.

6. The motorcycle must be equipped with both a left- and right-hand rear view mirror mounted on the handlebar or fairing. (Exception to policy: Negotiations 115-06, Fort Knox Regulation 190-5, Motor Vehicle Traffic Regulation, appendix B, paragraph B-8, states the following: "Motorcycles operated on Fort Knox will be equipped with a rear-view mirror.") The headlight will be turned on at all times. The wearing of headphones or earphones, operating built-in headset in approved helmets, or inserting any audio device into the ear is prohibited while riding on Fort Knox. Use of these devices impairs driving and masks or prevents recognition of emergency signals, alarms, horns, and the approach of other vehicles.

7. Contact the Installation Safety Office at 4-3141 to arrange for training.



MARK D. NEEDHAM  
COL, AR  
Garrison Commander

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## **FORT KNOX MOTORCYCLE TRAINING COURSE INFORMATION**

**Basic Rider Course (BRC):** (Pre-registration required – see information below):

The Basic Rider Course is the Army's standard motorcycle rider's course. This 16-hour, 2-day course is for all new motorcycle riders. Army personnel who have documentation of prior completion of the Experienced Rider Course (ERC) prior to 30 September 2007 will be in compliance with the Army standard for motorcycle training and will not be required to attend the BRC to register their motorcycle for the first time on an Army installation. Riders with a learner's permit must attend the BRC. Operators will not be required to repeat BRC training when relocating to a new assignment.

**Experienced Rider Course (ERC):** (Pre-registration required – see information below).

This 6-hour course is offered only to experienced riders with a motorcycle endorsement. Commanders may offer the ERC in addition to the BRC, but not in lieu of the BRC. The ERC is designed to provide additional highway safety skills for experienced motorcycle riders. The ERC builds upon and provides additional skills taught in BRC or gained through previous experience.

### **General Information:**

1. Both courses require the rider to provide a motorcycle that is licensed to operate on state roadways.
2. Students must bring their driver's license with motorcycle endorsement or a valid Learner's Permit. Those with a Learner's Permit who pass the course will also be given a waiver card for the Department of Motor Vehicles, which permits the applicant to obtain his/her endorsement without taking a riding skills test. On designated training days, personnel entering the Access Control Points must state they are en route to motorcycle training and provide the necessary documentation.
3. It is highly recommended that participants bring drinking water to the course and have enough fuel to complete the training. Water is not available at the motorcycle range course.
4. Personal protective equipment requirements:
  - a. Department of Transportation-approved helmet properly fastened under the chin.
  - b. Shatter-resistant goggles, wrap-around glasses, or full-face shield properly attached to the helmet (a windshield alone is not proper eye protection).

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c. Full-fingered gloves or mittens designed for use on a motorcycle.

d. Long-sleeve shirt or jacket.

e. Long trousers.

f. Sturdy footwear, over-the-ankle shoes, or leather boots.

g. A brightly-colored, outer upper garment during the day and a reflective upper garment during the night. Military uniforms do not meet this criterion. The outer garment shall be clearly visible and not covered. Items may be worn on top of the outer garment, but they must meet the same visibility requirements of the outer upper garment.

\*\*\*\*\*INFORMATION AND CLASS RESERVATIONS\*\*\*\*\*

To pre-register, obtain copy for class date documentation, or additional information,  
call 502-624-3141, or e-mail [Knox.SafetyOffice@conus.army.mil](mailto:Knox.SafetyOffice@conus.army.mil)



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MEMORANDUM FOR ACCESS CONTROL POINT GUARD

SUBJECT: Motorcycle Class Date Documentation

1. Reference AR 385-10, The Army Safety Program, paragraph 11-9b(5), 23 August 2007.
2. Licensed motorcycle operators who have not yet completed a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) or MSF-based approved Motorcycle Rider Safety Course may operate their motorcycle to travel to the rider course training site. When the training is offered on an Army installation, the licensed operator may enter the installation for the sole purpose of attending the course. The rider will have documentation in his/her possession to show the date of the course. The following memo signed by the Garrison Commander will be used as the documentation needed to enter the installation.

**ATTN: INSTALLATION ENTRY POINT GUARD**

\_\_\_\_\_ IS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND THE \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME) (BRC or ERC)

TRAINING COURSE ON \_\_\_\_\_  
(DATE)

FOR THE COMMANDER:

MARK D. NEEDHAM  
COL, AR  
Commanding

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